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OF THE TOWN OF
South Hampton
New Hampshire




For the Year Ending December 31

1955



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of the

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, COLLECTOR OF
TAXES, HIGHWAY AGENT, TOWN CLERK,
TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS
ALL OTHER TOWN OFFICERS AND THE
SCHOOL BOARD

of the

Town Of South Hampton

NEW HAMPSHIRE

For The Year Ending December 31

1955

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1955

ELECTED BIENNIALY

Moderator

Harold F. Currier

Supervisors of the Check List

Jewell Currier

Frank Robinson

Arthur Moore

ELECTED ANNUALLY

Town Clerk

Guy W. Smith, Jr.

Selectmen

Joseph W. Crosby, '56

Donald S. Hellen, '57

Harold F. Currier, '58

Overseer of the Poor

Joseph W. Crosby

Treasurer

George W. Palmer

Collector of Taxes

Frank A. Robinson

Auditors

Ray P. Buxton

David H. True

Highway Agent

Frank A. Robinson

Trustees of Trust Funds

Doris M. Gray, '56 Frank E. Brown, '57
Irwin B. Lamprey, '58

Library Trustees

Minnie Floyd, '56 Ella J. Currier, '57
Mary N. Dennett, '58

Librarian

J. Ella Morrill

Cemetery Trustees

Charles N. Dennett Albert E. Gray

Budget Committee

Walter A. Ross, '56 Ernest C. Ainsworth, '57
Frederick O. Hardy, '58

Police

Chester Ayers (Chief) Jewell E. Currier

State Forest Fire Warden

Guy W. Smith

Deputy Wardens

Albert E. Gray Charles N. Dennett

Fire Chief

Albert E. Gray

Health Officer

George W. Palmer

Fence Viewers

George W. Palmer Arthur M. French
Elwood Dixon, Sr.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of South Hampton in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said South Hampton on Tuesday the 13th day of March, next at two of the clock in the afternoon to act upon the following articles:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

3. To raise and appropriate money for the support of Highways and Bridges.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$129.80, necessary to secure State Aid for the permanent improvement of Class V Roads.

5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the winter maintenance of highways.

6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for interest, insurance and Town Officers' Bonds.

7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Public Library.

8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Welfare.

9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Care of Cemeteries.

10. To see what action the Town will take in regards to real estate deeded to the Town for non-payment of taxes.

11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10.00 for Sibley Relief, and \$10.00 for Col. E. W. Bailey Relief Association Fund.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Legal Expenses.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40.00 for Care of Common.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for Civilian Defense.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60.00 for maintenance of blinker at Towles Hill.

17. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

JOSEPH W. CROSBY,
DONALD S. HELLEN,
HAROLD F. CURRIER,

Selectmen of South Hampton.

A True Copy of Warrant—Attest:

JOSEPH W. CROSBY,
DONALD S. HELLEN,
HAROLD F. CURRIER,

Selectmen of South Hampton.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1955	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1955	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1956
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,058.41	\$ 1,000.00
Savings Bank Tax	10.00	5.30	5.00
Reimbursement a/c State & Federal forest lands	10.00	10.27	10.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood & Timber	200.00	195.72	200.00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	175.00	201.80	175.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees		6.00	5.00
Rent of Town Hall & other Bldgs.	25.00	33.00	50.00
Interest Received on Taxes & Deposits	75.00	69.91	75.00
Yield Tax or Timber Tax	500.00	647.26	500.00
Reimbursement Blister Rust		.10	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,000.00	5,896.56	4,500.00
Insurance Premium		45.81	
Overpayment Head Tax		13.50	
Cash Surplus	3,000.00	11,520.66	2,500.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	250.00	274.00	250.00
TOTAL REVENUE FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES		\$19,978.30	\$9,270.00

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Approp. Previous Year 1955	Actual Expenditures Previous Yr. 1955	Approp. Recom. by Budget Com. 1956	
CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:				
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,000.00	\$1,137.50	\$1,200.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	350.00	456.47	475.00	
Election & Registration Exp.	40.00	33.00	120.00	
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	300.00	298.03	300.00	
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police Department	75.00	58.50	75.00	
Fire Department	500.00	566.72	500.00	
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust & Care of Trees		400.00		
Insurance	300.00	104.50	300.00	
Civil Defense			25.00	
Health:				
Health Dept., Includ. Hospitals	10.00		10.00	
Vital Statistics		7.25	10.00	
Highways and Bridges:				
Town Maintenance—Summer	3,000.00	3,048.82	3,000.00	1,000.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,000.00	138.00	1,000.00	
Town Road Aid	150.00	129.82	129.80	
Misc.		126.00	100.00	
Libraries:				
Libraries	150.00	175.00	250.00	
Public Welfare:				
Town Poor	200.00		200.00	
Old Age Assistance	400.00	294.95	400.00	
Patriotic Purposes:				
Sibley & Bailey Fund	20.00	20.00	20.00	
Public Service Enterprises:				
Cemeteries	175.00	200.00	200.00	
Care of Common	35.00	35.00	40.00	
Unclassified:				
Damages & Legal Expenses, Including Dog Damage	50.00		50.00	
Cutting Bushes	300.00			
County Tax	1,500.00	1,335.30	1,500.00	
Micro Film	15.00		10.00	
Mapping Town	300.00			
Highways and Bridges:				
Light on Towles Hill	50.00	42.12	60.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$10,045.00	\$8,606.98	\$9,974.80	

Budget Committee

FREDERICK O. HARDY
JOSEPH W. CROSBY

WALTER A. ROSS, JR.
ERNEST C. AINSWORTH

ARTHUR M. MOORE

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS
AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1955**

Title of Appropriation	Approp.	Expend.	Unexpended	
			Balance	Overdraft
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,000.00	\$1,137.50	\$	\$137.50
Town Officers' Expenses	350.00	456.47		106.47
Election and Registration	40.00	33.00	7.00	
Town Hall Expenses	300.00	298.03	1.97	
Police Department	75.00	58.50	16.50	
Fire Department	500.00	566.72		66.72
Blister Rust Removal	400.00	399.90	.10	
Insurance & Officers' Bonds	300.00	104.50	195.50	
Health Department	10.00		10.00	
Town Maintenance (summer)	3,000.00	3,048.82		48.82
Town Maintenance (winter)	1,000.00	138.00	862.00	
T. R. A.	129.82	129.82		
Libraries	175.00	175.00		
Town Poor	200.00		200.00	
Cutting Bushes	300.00		300.00	
Old Age Assistance	400.00	294.95	105.05	
Miscellaneous	100.00	126.00		26.00
Baily & Sibley Relief	20.00	20.00		
Cemeteries	200.00	200.00		
Damages & Legal Expenses	50.00		50.00	
Blinker	50.00	42.12	7.88	
Care of Common	35.00	35.00		
Micro Film (town records)	15.00		15.00	
Mapping of Town (Reappropriated)	300.00		300.00	
County Tax	1,500.00	1,335.30	164.70	
TOTALS	\$10,449.82	\$8,599.63	\$2,235.70	\$385.51
			385.51	
Net Unexpended Balance of Appropriations			\$1,850.19	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Real Estate, Resident	\$333,530.00
Real Estate, Non-Resident	66,900.00
Electric Plants	24,760.00
Portable Mills and Machinery	69,500.00
Horses, 12	
Cows, 45	
Neat Stock, 10	
Sheep and Goats, 30	
Fowl, 490	
Mills and Machinery	950.00
Wood and Lumber	1,120.00
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	\$503,425.00
Property Exempted to Veterans	3,200.00
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Leaving for Taxation	\$471,425.00
No. Acres owned by Residents, 2,921	
No. Acres Owned by Non-Residents, 2,252 $\frac{1}{4}$	
No. Acres Owned by State, 52	
No. Acres Owned by Town, 22 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Taxes Excluding Polls	\$18,617.64
Poll Taxes	360.00
Yield Taxes	240.63
Added Poll	2.00
Interest Collected	2.00
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	\$19,222.27

Appropriations for 1955

Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	350.00
Election and Registration	40.00
Town Hall Expenses	300.00
Police Department	75.00
Fire Department	500.00

Blister Rust	400.00
Insurance & Officers Bonds	300.00
Health Department	10.00
Town Maintenance—Summer	3,000.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,000.00
T. R. A.	129.82
Libraries	175.00
Town Poor	200.00
Cutting Bushes	300.00
O. A. A.	400.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Bailey and Sibley Relief	20.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Street Lighting	50.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	50.00
Care of Common	35.00
Micro Film (town records)	15.00
Mapping of Town (Reappropriated)	300.00
County Tax	1,335.00
School Tax	16,922.03
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Total Town & School Appropriations	\$27,207.15

Less Estimated Revenues and Credits

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,058.41
Savings Bank Tax	10.00
Reimbursement State & Federal	
Lands	20.00
Reimbursement Wood & Timber	635.37
Dog Licenses	200.00
Motor Vehicle Permits	4,000.00
Filing Fee	5.00
Rent of Town Property	25.00
Interest on Taxes	75.00
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	10.00
Head Tax	14.00

Cash Surplus	2,400.00	
	<hr/>	\$8,470.78
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		18,736.37
Plus Overlay		241.27
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		18,977.64
Less Poll Taxes		360.00
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Amount to be Raised by Taxation		\$18,617.64
Rate \$3.95 per \$100.00		

Taxes Committed to Collector

Property Taxes	\$18,617.64	
Poll Taxes	360.00	
	<hr/>	\$18,977.64
Yield Taxes	240.63	
Added Poll Taxes	2.00	
Interest Collected	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$19,222.27

Tax Rate

\$3.95 per \$100.00 Valuation

Assets

Cash in Hands of Treasurer		
December 31, 1955	\$11,520.66	
Uncollected Property Tax	2,822.72	
Uncollected Polls	88.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes	265.00	
	<hr/>	\$14,696.38

Liabilities

Due School District	\$8,572.03	
Uncollected Head Tax	265.00	
Unexpended T. R. A. Account	3.32	
	<hr/>	\$8,840.35
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		<hr/> \$5,856.03

Abatements

Property Levy of 1955

Barnes, Wilfred, non-owner	\$.99
Welch, David Heirs, Undue Hardship		23.70

Warrants Head and Poll, Warrants of 1954

	Head	Poll
Rowe, John, Active Naval Service	\$5.00	\$2.00
Charait, Shirley, Veterans Widow	5.00	2.00
George, Charles, Non-Resident		2.00
Haselton, George, Non-Resident	5.00	2.00
Haselton, Margie, Non-Resident	5.00	2.00
Blinn, Norman, Veteran		2.00
Evans, Isabel, Non-Resident	5.00	2.00
Stone, Ida, Veterans Widow		2.00
Holmbring, Victoria, Res. Unknown	5.00	2.00
	<hr/> \$30.00	<hr/> \$14.00

Town Property

Town Hall and Buildings	\$10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,000.00
Library	100.00
Fire Department Equipment	100.00
Highway Department Equipment	100.00
	<hr/> \$11,300.00

Real Estate

Farmer Land, 1 Acre	\$ 25.00
Welch Land, 15 Acres	225.00
Titcomb Hill Land, 1-2 Acre	15.00
Morrison Land, 2 Acres	25.00
Gile and Dow Land, 2 Acres	25.00
Blaisdell Land, 2 Acres	25.00
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	\$340.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Permits for Registration of Motor Vehicles for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1955

Number of Permits issued for 1954 — 16		
Total Receipts for 1954	\$	41.68
Number of Permits issued for 1955 — 309		
Total Receipts for 1955		5,854.88
Filing Fees		6.00
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Total		\$5,902.56
Paid Treasurer		\$5,902.56

Dog License Account

2 Kennel Licenses @ \$12.00	\$24.00
11 Spayed Female Licenses @ \$2.00	22.00
12 Female Licenses @ \$5.00	60.00
56 Male Licenses @ \$2.00	112.00
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Total	\$218.00
Reserved for Fees	16.20
Paid Treasurer	\$201.80

Respectfully submitted,
GUY W. SMITH, JR.

Town Clerk.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1955

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$18,617.64
Poll Taxes	360.00
Nat'l. Bank Stock Taxes (none)	
Yield Taxes	240.63

TOTAL WARRANT	\$19,218.27
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Added Taxes:

Property Taxes (none)	
Poll Taxes	2.00
Interest Collected	2.00

TOTAL DEBITS	\$19,222.27
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CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$15,770.23
Poll Taxes	274.00
Nat'l. Bank Stock Taxes (none)	
Yield Taxes	227.83
Interest Collected	2.00
Abatements	24.69

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	2,822.72
Poll Taxes	88.00
Yield Taxes	12.80

TOTAL CREDITS	\$19,222.27
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Respectfully submitted,

FRANK A. ROBINSON,
Collector.

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
Property, Poll and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1954

DR.

Uncollected Taxes — As of Jan. 1, 1955:	
Property Taxes	\$2,641.25
Poll Taxes	86.00
Yield Taxes	419.43
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	\$3,146.68
Interest Collected During Fiscal Year	
Ended December 31, 1955	7.91
	<hr/>
TOTAL DEBITS	\$3,214.59

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal	
Year Ended Dec. 31, 1955:	
Property Taxes	\$2,641.25
Poll Taxes	72.00
Interest Collected During Year	67.91
Yield Taxes	419.43
Abatements Made During Year	
Polls	14.00
Uncollected Taxes as Per Collectors List:	
None	
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TOTAL CREDITS	\$3,214.59

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
State Head Tax
Levy of 1955

DR.

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:	
Original Warrant	\$1,100.00
Added Taxes	5.00
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Total Commitment	\$1,105.00

Penalties Collected	2.50	
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TOTAL DEBITS		\$1,107.50
CR.		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	\$840.00	
Penalties	2.50	
Abatements (none)		
Uncollected Head Taxes as per		
Collector's List	265.00	
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TOTAL CREDITS		\$1,107.50
Respectfully submitted,		
FRANK A. ROBINSON,		
Collector.		

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

State Head Tax

Levy of 1954

DR.

Uncollected Taxes — As of		
January 1, 1955	\$265.00	
Added Taxes During 1954 (none)		
Penalties Collected During 1955	23.50	
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TOTAL DEBITS		\$288.50
CR.		
Remittances to Treasurer During 1955:		
Head Taxes	\$235.00	
Penalties	23.50	
Abatements During 1955	30.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes as per		
Collector's List (none)		
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TOTAL CREDITS		\$288.50
Respectfully submitted,		
FRANK A. ROBINSON,		
Collector.		

LIST OF ABATEMENTS

Levy of 1955

PROPERTY TAXES

Barnes, Wilfred, Non-ownership of parcel	\$.99
Welch, David Heirs, Undue Hardship	23.70
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Total	\$24.69

Levy of 1954

POLL TAXES

Charait, Shirley, Veteran's Widow	\$2.00
George, Charles, non-resident	2.00
Haselton, George, non-resident	2.00
Haselton, Margie, non-resident	2.00
Blinn, Norman, veteran	2.00
Evans, Isabel, non-resident	2.00
Stone, Ida, Veteran's Widow	2.00
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	\$14.00

STATE HEAD TAXES

Charait, Shirley, non-resident	\$5.00
Evans, Isabel, non-resident	5.00
Haselton, George, non-resident	5.00
Haselton, Margie, non-resident	5.00
Holmbring, Victoria, residence unknown	5.00
Rowe, John, Active Naval Service	5.00
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	\$30.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK A. ROBINSON,

Collector.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Cash on Hand, Dec. 31, 1954	\$9,137.06
Received of Selectmen	1,362.11
Received of Collector:	
1954 Tax	2,641.25
1954 Poll Tax	72.00
1954 Interest	67.91
1954 Head Tax	235.00
1954 Head Tax Penalties	23.50
Timber Tax	419.43
1955 Tax	15,770.23
1955 Poll Tax	274.00
1955 Interest	2.00
1955 Head Tax	840.00
1955 Head Tax Penalties	2.50
Timber Tax	227.83
Received of Town Clerk:	
1954-1955 Auto Permits	41.68
1955-1956 Auto Permits	5,854.88
Filing Fees	6.00
Dog Licenses	201.80
Total	<hr/> \$37,179.18

Expenditures

Paid on Selectmen's Orders	\$25,658.52
Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1955	11,520.66
Total	<hr/> \$37,179.18

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE WALTER PALMER,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT

Town Maintenance

Appropriation for 1955	\$3,000.00
F. A. Robinson, Agent:	
Labor, Mileage & Expense	\$65.43
R. G. Watkins & Son, Inc.:	
Feb. 28, 1955, Repairing Woodman Road Washout	22.50
April 1, 1955, Labor material and equip. patching black top rds.	119.40
April 4, 5, 6, 1955, Labor, material & equip. spreading gravel & grading Black Snake, New Zealand, Echo Park, Woodman, Stage Coach and Lone Goose Roads	764.70
April 15, 1955, Labor, material & equip. patching Black Top rds.	135.40
May 9, 1955 ,Washout on Woodman road	20.00
June 22, 1955, Patching Black Top Rds for summer tarring	258.60
July 26, 1955, Tarring & sanding sec- tions of Hilldale Ave. and High- land Avenues	1,294.87
Dec. 5 and 6, 1955, Widening, gravel fill & grading New Zealand rd.	357.90
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	\$3,038.80
Overdrawn with permission of Selectmen	\$38.80

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK A. ROBINSON,

Agent.

T. R. A.

Chase Road — Project No. 58 — Div. 6

1955 Appropriation	\$995.00
1954 Unexpended Balance	306.00

Total Available for 1955	<hr/> \$1,301.00
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Expenditures

Edward G. Brunault, gravel, 72 yds.	\$5.76
Thos. W. Locke, gravel, 1463 yds.	117.04
Frank A. Robinson, Con. Foreman	69.23
R. G. Watkins & Son Inc.	
Sub-Grading	54.00
Bull Dozer	229.50
Loader	243.00
2—7 yd. trucks	275.40
2—6 yd. trucks	243.00
Top grading	60.75

	<hr/> \$1,297.68
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Unexpended Appropriation	<hr/> \$3.32
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Respectfully submitted,

FRANK A. ROBINSON,

Agent.

SUMMARY OF SELECTMEN'S RECEIPTS

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,058.41
Savings Bank Tax	5.30
Reimbursement State Forrest Land	10.27
Rent of Hall	33.00
Reimbursement Pine Blister Account	.10
Refund for State Treasurer for Overpayment of Head Tax	13.50
Refund, Demeritt Agency	45.81
Growing Wood and Timber	195.72
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	\$1,362.11

SUMMARY OF SELECTMEN'S PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,137.50
Town Officers' Expenses	456.47
Election and Registration	33.00
Town Hall Expenses	289.03
Police Department	58.50
Fire Department	566.72
Blister Rust Removal	400.00
Insurance and Officers' Bonds	104.50
Health Department	10.00
Town Maintenance (Summer)	3,048.82
Town Maintenance (Winter)	138.00
T. R. A.	129.82
Library	175.00
O. A. A.	294.95
Miscellaneous	126.00
Bailey and Sibley Relief	20.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Care of Common	35.00
County Tax	1,335.30
State Head Tax	1,065.68
Vital Statistics	7.25

Blinker	42.12
School	15,985.86
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	\$25,658.52

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

Arthur M. French, Auditor	\$15.00
David H. True, Auditor	15.00
Arthur Moore, Supervisor	5.00
Frank Robinson, Supervisor	5.00
Jewell Currier, Supervisor	5.00
Frank Robinson, Tax Collector	175.00
Joseph W. Crosby, Selectman	175.00
Donald S. Hellen, Selectman	100.00
Harold F. Currier, Moderator	5.00
Willis Smith, Town Clerk	262.50
G. Walter Palmer, Treasurer	175.00
Joseph W. Crosby, Overseer of the Poor	15.00
Arthur M. French, Fence Viewer	35.00
G. Walter Palmer, Fence Viewer	35.00
G. Walter Palmer, Health Officer	10.00
Doris Gray, Trustee of Trust Funds	5.00
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	\$1,137.50

Town Officers' Expenses

New Hampshire, Assessors Association Dues	\$3.00
Arthur M. French, postage	1.50
Doris Gray, Trust Fund Expenses	5.00
Wheeler and Clark, Dog Tags	\$13.06
Amesbury Publishing Co., Town Reports	313.00
Edson Eastman, Tax Books	14.15
Amesbury Publishing Co., Print Tax Forms	1.25
U. S. Auto Truck Guide for Town Clerk	8.00
N. H. Tax Collectors, Association Dues	3.00
Edson Eastman, Town Off. Appoint. Blanks	.97

Charles R. Hardy, Town Clerk Dues	2.00
Sargent Brothers, Prop., Poll, Head Tax bills	46.15
Frank Robinson, Collectors Postage Expense	10.93
Willis Smith, Postage and Supplies	5.30
Frank Robinson, Postage and Collectors Deed	1.55
Joseph Crosby, Postage and Envelopes	7.11
Joseph Crosby, Mileage Account	10.00
G. Walter Palmer, Postage Expense	7.50
Amesbury Pub. Co., Supervisors Check List Add	3.00
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	\$456.47

Election and Registration

Arthur M. French, Ballot Clerk	\$5.00
Bessie Inglis, Ballot Clerk	5.00
Lorinda Palmer, Ballot Clerk	5.00
Annie French, Ballot Clerk	5.00
Amesbury Publishing Co., Ballots	13.00
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	\$33.00

Town Hall Expenses

Exeter and Hampton Electric Co., Lights	\$29.53
Esther Buxton, Janitor Service	124.50
Harold Brown, Cord Wood	108.00
Adams Gas Co., Bottled Gas	36.00
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	\$298.03

Police Department

Chester Ayers, Officer	\$58.50
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Fire Department

Fire at Grassy Brook, April 11, 1955
Acres burned — 6

Services Had by Town:

Guy W. Smith, Warden	\$3.00
Charles N. Dennett, Deputy Warden	2.50
Ray Buxton, Jr., Fighting Fire	1.80
Frank Kenniston, Fighting Fire	2.70
Irving Lamprey, Fighting Fire	1.80
Robert Lamprey, Fighting Fire	1.80
George Buxton, Fighting Fire	1.80
Herbert Price, Fighting Fire	1.80
Julius Archie, Fighting Fire	1.80
Ray P. Buxton, Fighting Fire	1.80
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	\$20.80
Fire at Victor Stevens, Homestead	
Town of Amesbury	\$100.00
New Road to Dam at Iwanki's Pond for Fighting Fire	
Frank A. Robinson, Constr. Foreman	\$19.32
R. G. Watkins & Son	426.60
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	\$566.72

Insurance and Bonds

Demerritt Agency:

Town Officers Bonds	\$45.50
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	57.00
Charles R. Eastman, Trust Fund Bond	2.00
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	\$104.50

Snow Removal

R. G. Watkins & Son	\$138.00
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Town Maintenance — Summer

R. G. Watkins & Son	\$2,973.37
Frank A. Robinson, labor & mileage Exp.	65.43

N. H. State Treasurer, Road Signs	10.02
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	\$3,048.82
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Appropriation exceeded due to widening
New Zealand Road so Town can plow road
to Mr. Kerr's residence.

O. A. A.

State of New Hampshire	\$294.95
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Library

Nancy Dennett	\$175.00
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Town Poor

No cases

Care of Common

Ray P. Buxton, Jr.	\$35.00
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Charities

Sibley Relief	\$10.00
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Police Relief	10.00
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	\$20.00
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Blister Rust

New Hampshire State Forester	\$400.00
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Cemeteries

Charles N. Dennett	\$175.00
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Miscellaneous

Removing Elm Tree on Hilldale Avenue	
Joseph Crosby, labor	\$20.00

Michele Santosoasso, Jr., labor, truck and chain saw	45.00
Granite State Maytag Co., Dining Room Stove	59.00
Arthur M. French, Title to land	2.00
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	\$126.00

Head Tax

State of New Hampshire	\$1,036.58
Frank A. Robinson, fees	16.95
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	\$1,065.58

County Tax

Winston Lothrop, County Treasurer	\$1,335.30
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Schools

G. Walter Palmer	\$15,985.86
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REPORT OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Old Age Assistance:

2 Cases

\$294.95

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH W. CROSBY,

Overseer

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON, N. H. ON DECEMBER 31, 1955

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose	How Invested	Principal Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Percent	Amount During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
Aug. 14, 1917	Mary J. Currier	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	\$ 100.00	\$ 3.56	3 1/4	\$ 3.38	\$ 3.00	\$ 103.94
Aug. 14, 1917	Mary J. Currier	Library Fund	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	.17	3 1/4	6.55		206.72
Feb. 1, 1921	Eva Willard Goodwin	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	150.00	5.50	3 1/4	5.09	5.00	155.59
	Dorothy and								
June 27, 1921	Joseph W. Stockman	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	140.00	4.23	3 1/4	4.71	4.00	144.94
Mar. 24, 1931	Stephen Currier	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	150.00	6.14	3 1/4	5.11	6.00	155.25
Mar. 24, 1931	John Currier	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	150.00	6.78	3 1/4	5.12	5.00	156.90
Sept. 29, 1931	Moses Eaton	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	150.00	4.95	3 1/4	5.05	4.00	156.00
Oct. 7, 1932	Public Library	Building Fund	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	110.00	88.64	3 1/4	6.49		205.13
May 22, 1933	Alton & Ruth Sedgely	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	11.86	3 1/4	6.92	8.00	210.78
Apr. 11, 1934	Geo. W. Kimball	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	7.20	3 1/4	6.77	6.00	207.97
June 16, 1934	Richard Pitts	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	300.00	12.00	3 1/4	10.22	8.00	314.22
Oct. 24, 1936	Samuel Eastman	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	7.15	3 1/4	6.77	6.00	207.92
May 28, 1940	Moses J. Eaton	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00	3.90	3 1/4	3.88	3.00	104.28
Sept. 8, 1941	Aaron Currier	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	7.05	3 1/4	6.77	6.00	207.82
Sept. 8, 1941	Charles W. Currier	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	7.34	3 1/4	6.77	6.00	208.11
Apr. 25, 1942	Joseph T. Merrill	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	500.00	31.09	3 1/4	17.39	8.00	540.48
May 22, 1944	Phillips White	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	6.55	3 1/4	6.75	6.00	207.30
May 29, 1946	Phineas P. Whitehouse	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	10.57	3 1/4	6.87	6.00	211.44
Oct. 5, 1951	Emily F. Hatch	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	5.95	3 1/4	6.73	5.00	207.68
June 29, 1952	Roscoe F. Swain	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	7.34	3 1/4	6.77	6.00	208.11
Mar. 13, 1953	Gilbert A. Rice	Care of Cem. Lot	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	50.00	1.67	3 1/4	1.68	1.00	52.35
				\$3,900.00	\$239.64		\$135.29	\$102.00	\$4,172.93

AUDITOR'S REPORT

South Hampton, N. H.

January 26, 1956

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other records of the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Town Clerk and Highway Agent; also the bank statments, cash book and other financial records of the Treasurer of the Town of South Hampton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1955 and that we find them correctly cast with vouchers for all bills paid.

Respectfully submitted,

RAY P. BUXTON,
DAVID H. TRUE,

Auditors

REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

Permits Issued:

Edmond Roy, house	\$1.00
Lloyd Douglas, camp	1.00
Stratos C. Janos, house	1.00
Harold Webster, house	1.00
M. C. Greenleaf, moving house	1.00

Received for Fees	\$5.00
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GUY W. SMITH

WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST CONTROL

Financial Statement Town of South Hampton — 1955

Town funds expended	\$399.90	
Cooperative funds expended	241.73	
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Total Expenditures		\$641.63
1955 Town Appropriation	\$400.00	
Town funds expended	399.90	
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Balance Due Town		.10
Area worked		2,302 acres
Currant and gooseberry bushes destroyed		23,116

FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT

BE A GOOD CITIZEN — COOPERATE

Smoking and debris burning caused more than 50 percent of the forest fires occurring in the state of New Hampshire in 1955 — 235 fires out of a total of 463 originated from these two sources. Lighted smoking material and matches thrown from moving vehicles along the highway or dropped by fishermen, hunters, hikers, berry and flower pickers accounted for 26 percent; debris burning in the wrong place or at the wrong time by those who failed to heed all pleas for safety or refused to recognize the logical, sensible rules and regulations set up under legislative authority governing the use of fire in or near woodlands accounted for more than 24 percent. This is inexcusable.

Everything possible is being done officially to remedy the situation. Since 1909 there has been a statute on our law books which requires everyone to secure written permission from the local forest fire warden before starting a fire in or near woodlands or where fire can be communicated to woodlands, unless the ground is covered with snow. A never ending program of educational work is being carried on by your local warden and state officials to inform the general public both of the value and necessity of securing the required permit for such burning. Much progress has been made, but there are still many who fail or refuse to cooperate. The value of our permit system was definitely proven in this district during the 1955 calendar year. Local wardens issued 14 permits for debris burning fires. That's a lot of permits. The records show NO permit fires got out of control. This proves several things — while wardens were liberal in the issuance of fire permits, accommodating every applicant so far as possible, they were cautious, following closely directives outlining overall policy governing the issuance of burning permits and thoroughly instructing permit users. The latter, too, fully appreciating their responsibility in using their permits, governed themselves accordingly. Result? Much burning done legally and safe.

But what of the smokers? Despite all the efforts of those officially charged with the responsibility of preventing fires, too many were careless or thoughtless in disposing of smoking material and matches. Why? It is difficult to say. Autos are now equipped with ash trays. Why not use them. The crushing out of a cigar, cigarette and the complete extinguishment of matches before being discarded is an easy chore.

If the costly habits of the careless and indifferent smoker and debris burner could be overcome, more than half of our annual forest fires would be eliminated. Will YOU do YOUR share to bring this about?

REMEMBER

1. Get a written permit from your local warden before starting your debris burning or camp fire. The law requires it.
2. Make certain they are dead out before leaving them.
3. Become a safe smoker by extinguishing smoking material and matches before discarding them.

BE A GOOD CITIZEN — COOPERATE

Number of local fires	1
Number of acres burned	6
Number of permits issued	14

MERTON A. WEBBER

District Fire Chief

GUY W. SMITH,

Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES FOR 1955

Receipts

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1955	\$12.35
Appropriations for 1955	175.00
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Total	\$187.35

Expenditures

Librarians Salary	\$50.00
Librarians trip to Tamworth, N. H.	17.50
Books	63.96
Magazines	39.25
Supplies	3.40
Checks and postage	1.15
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	\$175.26
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1955	12.09
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Total	\$187.35

Respectfully submitted,

MARY NANCY DENNETT,

Treasurer

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Circulation

Fiction	262
Non-Fiction	29
Juvenile	311
Juvenile Non-Fiction	12
Magazines	531
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	1,145

Books Added During the Year

By Purchase	17
Gift of Mrs. Gibson	21
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	38

JUDITH E. MORRILL,

Librarian

Annual Reports
of the
School District
of
TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON, N. H.
For the Year 1954-1955

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

School Board

Walter A. Ross, Chairman	Term Expires 1956
Helen V. Coorssen, Clerk	Term Expires 1957
Arthur M. Moore	Term Expires 1958

Superintendent of Schools

Roy W. Gillmore

Treasurer

G. Walter Palmer

Moderator

Harold Currier

Clerk

Minnie B. Floyd

Auditors

Arthur M. French

Frank E. Brown

Attendance Officer

G. Walter Palmer

School Nurse

Constance Huss, R.N.

SCHOOL WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of South Hampton qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in district on the seventeenth day of March 1956, at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectman the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the Town will authorize the School Board to enter into contract with out of state high schools and/or in state public academies for the purpose of educating high school pupils residing in town. Such contract being required by the State Department of Education.

10. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to make application for and to receive, in the name of the District, such advances, grants-in-aid or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the U. S. Government and/or State Agency.

11. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to accept from ~~the~~ Barnard Trustees, The Barnard School Building and any other properties and funds pertaining thereto, when the construction of a new addition to the building has been completed and when the necessary legal action has been accomplished to dissolve the Barnard Trusteeship.

12. To transact any other business which may legally come before this Meeting.

Given under our hands at said South Hampton this twelfth day of February 1956.

WALTER A. ROSS, JR.,
HELEN V. COORSSEN,
ARTHUR M. MOORE,
School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

WALTER A. ROSS, JR.,
HELEN V. COORSSEN,
ARTHUR M. MOORE,
School Board

BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH HAMPTON, N. H.

1956-1957

EXPENDITURES ITEM	1	2	3	4	5
	Actual Expenditures 1954-55	Adopted Budget 1955-56	Actual Expenditures July 1 to Dec. 31, 1955	School Board's Budget 1956-57	Committee's Budget 1956-57
Salaries of district officers	\$ 72.00	\$ 77.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 77.00	\$ 77.00
Supt.'s salary (local share)	155.34	107.14	129.06	144.18	144.18
Tax for state wide supervision	90.00	110.00	94.00	104.00	104.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	132.80	219.41	139.04	202.01	202.01
Supplies and Expenses	75.61	81.97	32.95	119.92	119.92
Instruction					
Elem. teachers & principals' salaries	5,218.43	6,693.00	2,642.01	9,500.00	9,500.00
Books & other instructional aids, elem.	212.63	207.30	170.28	250.00	250.00
Scholars' supplies, elementary	247.88	185.91	278.06	300.00	300.00
Operation of School Plant					
Salaries of custodians, elementary	400.00	30.00	6.10	55.00	55.00
Fuel or heat, elementary	378.65	400.00	160.00	500.00	500.00
Water, light, supplies & exp., elem.	64.70	350.00	100.94	500.00	500.00
Maintenance of School Plant					
Repairs & replacements, elementary	11.12	100.00	80.99	130.00	130.00
Auxiliary Activities					
Health supervision, elementary	206.11	25.00	95.95	25.00	25.00
Transportation, elementary	2,180.00	218.00	211.32	250.00	250.00
Tuition, high	5,419.59	2,180.00	872.00	2,180.00	2,180.00
Special activities & special funds, elem.	46.58	5,775.00	1,012.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Fixed Charges					
Retirement, elementary	818.98	20.00	2.98	20.00	20.00
Ins., treas. bonds & expenses, elem.	50.00	474.83	139.38	856.54	856.54

Capital Outlay				
New equipment, elementary	55.44	5.00		5.00
	<u>55.44</u>	<u>150.00</u>	<u>168.95</u>	<u>150.00</u>
Total Capital Outlay		150.00	168.95	150.00
		<u>139.58</u>		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES or		<u>\$17,549.14</u>	<u>\$6,341.01</u>	<u>\$22,868.65</u>
SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS				

	1	2	3	4	5
RECEIPTS ITEM	Actual Receipts 1954-55	Adopted Budget 1955-56	Actual Receipts July 1 to Dec. 31, 1955	School Board's Budget 1956-57	Budget Committee's Budget 1956-57
Balance (actual or estimated)			2.57		
State aid			627.11	500.00	500.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES					
DIST. ASSESSMENT RAISED OR TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES	15,835.86		629.68	500.00	500.00
TOTAL APPROP. VOTED BY SCH. DIST.	<u>\$15,835.86</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$22,368.65</u>	<u>\$22,368.65</u>

Date: Feb. 13, 1956

BUDGET COMMITTEE

WALTER A. ROSS JR.
ERNEST C. AINSWORTH
ARTHUR M. MOORE

FREDERICK O. HARDY
JOSEPH W. CROSBY

**FINANCIAL REPORT
OF THE
SOUTH HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

For the Fiscal year
Beginning July 1, 1954, and ending June 30, 1955

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

WALTER A. ROSS, JR.,
HELEN V. COORSSEN,
ARTHUR M. MOORE,
School Board

ROY W. GILLMORE, Superintendent
July 25, 1955

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1954	None
Local Taxation—Current approp.	\$15,435.30
Advance on Next Year's Approp.	400.56
Receipts from Other Sources—Refund	2.57
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Total Receipts	\$15,838.43

PAYMENTS

Administration:

Salaries of District Officers	\$72.00
Superintendents' Salary (local share)	155.34
Tax for State Wide Supervision	90.00
Salaries of Other Adm. Personnel	132.80

Supplies and Expenses of Administration	75.61
Instruction:	
Teachers' and Principal's Salaries	5,218.43
Books and Other Instructional Aids	212.63
Scholars' Supplies	247.88
Operation of School Plant:	
Salaries of Custodians	400.00
Fuel or Heat	378.65
Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses	64.70
Maintenance of School Plant:	
Repairs and Replacements	11.12
Auxiliary Activities:	
Health Supervision	206.11
Transportation	2,180.00
Tuition	5,419.59
Special Activities and Special Funds	46.58
Fixed Charges:	
Retirement	818.98
Insurance, Treas. Bonds and Expenses	50.00
Capital Outlay:	
New Equipment	55.44
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Total Net Payments for All Purposes	\$15,835.86
Cash on Hand at end of year (June 30, 1955)	2.57
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Grand Total Net Payments	\$15,838.43
Explanation of Difference Between Net (Actual)	
Expenditures and Gross Transactions	
Total Net Income Plus Cash on Hand	
July 1, 1954	\$15,838.43
Receipts from Refunds,	
"In and Out" Transactions, etc.	14.50
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Total Gross Income	\$15,852.93

Total Net Payments Plus Cash on Hand June 30, 1955	\$15,838.43
Payments Refunded or Returned, “In and Out” Transactions, etc.	14.50
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Total Gross Payments	\$15,852.93

BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1955

ASSETS

Cash on Hand June 30, 1955	\$2.57
Net Debt (Excess of Liab. over Assets)	397.99
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Total Assets	\$400.56

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by District—	
Advance on 55-56 Appropriation	\$400.56
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Total Liabilities	\$400.56

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1955

Summary

Cash on Hand July 1, 1955	
Treasurer's bank balance	\$2.57
Received from Selectmen:	
(Include only amounts actually received)	
Current Appropriation	\$15,574.88
Received from Town	260.98
Received from All Other Sources	
Refund American Ed. Pub.	14.50
Rec'd from All Other Sources	
Total Receipts	\$15,850.36
Total Amount Available for Fiscal	
Year (Balance and Receipts)	\$15,852.93
Less School Board Orders Paid	15,850.36
Balance on Hand June 30, 1955	
(Treasurer's Bank Balance)	\$2.57

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of South Hampton of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and find them correct in all respects.

ARTHUR M. FRENCH,
FRANK E. BROWN,

July 21, 1955

Auditors

RETURN OF DISTRICT REVENUE, 1955

Expenditures

Current Expenditures	\$17,259.56
Capital Outlay	150.00
Deficiency Appropriation	139.58
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Total Appropriation	\$17,549.14

Receipts

Balance, June 30, 1955	None
Assessment Required to Meet School District Approp.	\$17,549.14
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Total Appropriation	\$17,549.14

CERTIFICATES

To the Board of Selectmen:

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet statutory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the South Hampton School District held March 12, 1955.

MINNIE B. FLOYD,
Clerk of the School District

June 9. 1955

To the State Department of Education

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the financial proceedings of the district for the school year 1955-56, and that copies of this statement have been filed with the chairman of the Board of selectmen and entered in the records of the school board in accordance with N. H. Laws of 1951, Chapter 37, Section 2.

WALTER A. ROSS, JR.
Chairman of the School Board

June 9. 1955

SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

I herewith submit to you my second report as Superintendent of your schools.

The current year began Wednesday, September 7, 1955 with an initial enrollment of 50 pupils. The grade distribution shows the difficulties we are having.

Grade:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	7	7	12	11	2	3	4	4

During the next four years we will be graduating classes of two, three, and four pupils while much larger classes are entering. The census taken in September lists thirteen children as five year olds. It is possible that some of the four year olds may have birthdays before the following January and would, therefore, be eligible to enter school. Next year's first grade, according to the census, will consist of at least thirteen pupils. Disregarding any families who may move into South Hampton, we should have an enrollment of 58 pupils next year. If we continue the fourth grade with Mrs. Currier, her room will enroll a minimum of 32 pupils in five grades. If the fourth grade is returned to Mrs. Kimball, she will have an enrollment of 39 pupils in four grades. This situation will grow worse as the small classes graduate.

The only satisfactory solution, not only for next year but for the foreseeable future, seems to be the employment of a third teacher. Under this plan each teacher would have approximately 20 pupils next year with a gradual increase as the smaller classes graduate and the larger classes enter.

South Hampton has taken a decided step in advance in services to its pupils by inaugurating a hot lunch

program. The willingness of the parent-Teachers Association to sponsor such a program indicates real interest on the part of that organization and the people of the district. A hot meal for the children results in more active minds and a better physical condition for the following school session. I sincerely believe it brings about better educational achievement for our pupils.

Instruction in the Barnard School is an individualized process. In some of the larger systems we find this not to be true. The child seems to be reduced to a certain classification and becomes a card in a general office. That each child may be studied on an individual basis, the Helping Teacher is making it his special duty to hold conferences with pupils and teachers. By these conferences, he and the teachers plan an ever improving approach to the child's individual interests and strengths. This type of instruction has always been evident in this school. There can never be too much care taken in guiding children through their school years.

That our teachers are interested in the welfare of their pupils is proven by the willingness with which they devote their own time to progressive study in the educational field. Both teachers are enrolled in classes which meet after school hours and under the direction of skilled instructors. The value they receive is reflected in the work of our children.

One test of the efficiency of our school is the progress made by our pupils when they enter secondary schools. Reports coming to us prove entirely acceptable work being done in the new systems. Repeatedly, comment is made by the heads of these schools upon the attitude of the pupils toward their school work. No better proof can be offered that Barnard School is graduating children who have learned the fundamental attitudes of good

citizenship and earnest endeavor. This surely is one of the fundamental objectives of American education.

Barnard School is a busy community of child citizens. Its pupils are purposefully active. A visit to its rooms evidences real interest on the part of the pupils. It is always a pleasure to spend a time in this school.

For the cooperation of the teachers, for the helpful guidance of the School Board and for the friendly greetings of the pupils, I am grateful. There can be no doubt as to continued progress in the South Hampton Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY W. GILLMORE,

Superintendent of Schools

January 14, 1956

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent, School Board and Citizens of South Hampton:

Once again, I am pleased to submit this, my second report, of the musical growth and progress in your school.

The general objective of music teaching in the grade schools is to cause the original crude, native interest in rhythm and tone, which characterizes practically every child when he begins school life, to develop into a genuine love of good music based on an intelligent appreciation of its moods, its structure and its notation. Such development will take place only if a consistent educational plan is carried out through a series of years and it is with such a plan that I am attempting to deal.

The main avenues of creating a really intelligent love of music are by learning to sing, learning to play an instrument, training oneself in appropriate rhythmic response, learning to read music notation, and creating music.

The net result of this entire program seems to be that if one is to learn to appreciate music one must be a musician. The better musician one is, the better one can appreciate music; therefore, we must try to guide our pupils into a more extensive knowledge of music at the same time making the whole experience of studying music so fascinating that they will love the art better and better as they master it more completely.

I am most pleased with the progress being made at the Barnard School and wish to thank all of the students, teachers, parents and others who make my work so enjoyable.

Respectfully submitted,
SARA JANE CUMMINGS,
Music Supervisor

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent, School Board members, and citizens of South Hampton:

Continued effort is being made to maintain a high standard of health supervision. Children with discovered defects have been taken care of promptly by their parents. This cooperation on the part of the parents of South Hampton makes it a pleasure to work with them.

The outstanding accomplishment of the past year was the inoculation with Salk vaccine of the first and second graders. A high percentage of the children participated.

Tentative plans are being made for the new polio clinic which will include the new age group, as well as booster shots.

The efforts of those who have done and are doing so much for the new hot lunch program, are praiseworthy. It is good to see parents working harmoniously for a common cause.

Commendation and thanks are due Mrs. Buxton for her diligent and scrupulous care of the school building. This is an important factor in the health status of the children.

Thanks again to the teachers, parents, school board members and all who make school nursing a pleasant task.

Respectfully submitted,

CONSTANCE J. HUSS

STATISTICAL DATA

1954-1955

Number of Different Pupils Enrolled During Year	52
Average Membership	48.9
Average Per Cent of Attendance	94.4
Average Number of Tardinesses	.2
Number of Pupils Completed Grade 8 (1955)	4
Number of Pupils in High School (Sept. 1955)	22
Visits by Superintendent	34

Enrollment in September 1955 was as follows:

Grade 1-3	26	Grades 4-8	24
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Pupils who completed the work of the eighth grade
in June 1955, were:

Goldthwaite, James
Morse, Priscilla

Marple, Jeffrey
Lowry, Valerie

South Hampton Pupils Attending High School

September, 1955

AMESBURY HIGH SCHOOL

Seniors	Marden, Chester
Wise, Austin	Miller, Martha
Juniors	Wesselhoeft, Karl
Anderson, Sally	Wise, Betty
Balukonis, William	Freshmen
Cressy, Dale	Goldthwaite, James
Wise, Barbara	Laskey, Douglas
Sophomores	Lowry, Valerie
Anderson, Frank	Morse, Priscilla

SANBORN SEMINARY

Seniors	Sophomores
Kenerson, Paul	Kenerson, Frank
Juniors	Connolly, Madelyn
Buxton, Raymond	Freshman
Crosby, Carole	Smith, Robert
Lane, Jean	

HAVERHILL TRADE

Freshman	Roy, James C.
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SCHOOL CALENDAR

1956 - 1957

Schools Open Wednesday, September 5, 1956

Schools Close, Friday, June 14

School in Session:

September 5 through December 21	76 Days
January 2 through February 15	33 Days
February 25 through April 19	40 Days
April 29 through June 14	34 Days

183 Days

Schools Closed:

October 18-19 — Teachers' Convention

November 12 — Veteran's Day

November 22-23 — Thanksgiving

December 24 - January 1 — Christmas

February 16-24 — Winter Vacation

April 20-28 — Spring Vacation

May 30 — Memorial Day

Schools Close at 12:30:

November 21

December 21

Good Friday — March 29

Vital Statistics

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1955

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Bride & Groom	Age	Name of Parents	By Whom Married
Aug. 11, 1955	South Hampton	Joseph E. Donahue, Jr. Eilleen T. Riley	27 24	Joseph E. Donahue Hazel E. Robbins Thomas W. Riley Sarah J. McDonaugh	Guy W. Smith, Jr. Justice of the Peace
Oct. 2, 1955	Plaistow	David G. Brooks Josephine M. Mangione	22 21	Phillips F. Brooks Ruth Picard Frank A. Mangione Mary Maiorana	T. Downing Bowler Clergyman
Dec. 17, 1955	South Hampton	Harry F. Blaney Nancy J. True	22 20	Harry F. Blaney Ida M. Peters David H. True Muriel M. Folsom	Joseph T. Cowles Justice of the Peace

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1955

Date	Name of Child	Sex	No.	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Jan. 19, 1955	Daniel Wayne Tufts	M	5	William H. Tufts, Jr.	Phyllis E. Gordon
June 17, 1955	Joseph Ducharme	M	3	Charles F. Ducharme	Grace M. Tuxbury
Aug. 9, 1955	John J. Ward, Jr.	M	6	John J. Ward	Eleonor E. Pratt
Aug. 20, 1955	Deborah Ann Syvinski	F	3	Theodore J. Syvinski	Virginia A. Skafield
Nov. 11, 1955	Mark Luke Stefanski	M	2	Paul J. Stefanski	Ann E. Ustick

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1955

Date	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Yr.	Mo.	Day	Name of Father	Name of Mother
May 19, 1955	South Hampton, N. H.	Carrie M. Cowan	87			James Toby	Mary Tucker
June 18, 1955	Amesbury, Mass.	Joseph Ducharme			1	Charles Ducharme	Grace Tuxbury
Sept. 21, 1955	South Hampton, N. H.	Ralph H. Sargent	68	8	10	Ralph H. Sargent	Lizzie Morris
Sept. 21, 1955	Haverhill, Mass.	Charles E. Cowan	59	1	1	Van Cowan	Carrie M. Tobey

I certify that the above are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief

GUY W. SMITH, JR., Town Clerk

